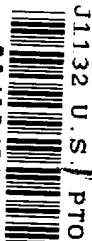


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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of **Masaya OTOKAWA****SERIAL COMMUNICATION DEVICE**Assignee: **AISIN SEIKI KABUSHIKI KAISHA**Our Ref. **Q68514**

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 14 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, and 4 sheets of drawings. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement with PTO form 1449 listing the reference cited within the specification. The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>4</u> - 20	=	<u>0</u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u>\$0.00</u>
Independent claims	<u>3</u> - 3	=	<u>0</u>	x	\$84.00	=	<u>\$0.00</u>
Base Fee							\$740.00
TOTAL FEE							<u>\$740.00</u>

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$740.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
JAPAN	2001-044887	February 21, 2001

The priority document will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,
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